कीटनाशी : केन्द्रीय सरकार ने फरीदाबाद में एक केन्द्रीय कीटनाशी प्रयोगशाला स्थापित की है जिसकी एक शाखा वनस्पति संगरोध और धूमीकरण केन्द्र, बम्बई और दूसरी शाखा केन्द्रीय वनस्पति संरक्षण प्रशिक्षण संस्थान, हैदराबाद में है ताकि कीटनाशियों के गुणवत्ता स्तर को सुनिश्चित करने के लिए कीटनाशियों के नमूनों का परीक्षण करने में राज्य सरकारों और संघ शासित क्षेत्रों के प्रशासनों की मदद की जा सके । इसके अतिरिक्त, इस संबंध में राज्य सरकारों के संसाधनों के पूरक के रूप में बम्बई, कलकत्ता, चंडीगढ़, हैदराबाद और कानपुर में 5 क्षेत्रीय कीटनाशी परीक्षण प्रयोगशालाएं स्थापित की जा रही हैं । 18 राज्यों और एक संघ शासित क्षेत्र ने प्रति वर्ष लगभग 34,000 नमूनों की क्षमता वाली 35 कीटनाशी परीक्षण प्रयोगशालाएं पहले ही स्थापित कर ली हैं ।

Subsidy for foodgrains

2811. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:

SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:

Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount of subsidy given for foodgrains during the last three years, year-wise and during the current year;

(b) what are the estimates in regard to increase or decrease in the amount of subsidy for the next three years; and

(c) what was the average amount of subsidy given since the inception of the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH): (a) The provision for food subsidy made in the Budget of the Department of Food during the last three years and the current year (BE-1985-86) is indicated below :—

(Rs. in Crores)

Year	Budget Provision
1982-83	710·00
1983-84	835·00
1984-85	1100·00
1985-86	1100·00

(b) *It is difficult* to anticipate the variation in the amount of subsidy during the next three years, as the amount would depend on many factors, e. g. quantum of off-take, rate of various taxes, rail and road freight, rate of landing charges in case of imports, storage charges, administrative over-heads, handling expenses, support price and the issue price notified by the Government, etc.

(c) The average subsidy from 1969-70 to 1984-85 is Rs. 443.12 crores per year.

Indo-US collaboration in agricultural development

2812. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India and the United States have recently decided to collaborate in assisting the third world countries in their agricultural development programmes; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) Yes, Sir.